

**MINUTES OF THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

ROOM 225 STATE CAPITOL BUILDING
Wednesday, January 31, 2001

Members Present: Sen. Dave Gladwell, Co-Chairman
Rep. Sheryl Allen, Co-Chairman
Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Carlene Walker
Rep. Jackie Biskupski
Rep. Kory M. Holdaway
Rep. Carol Spackman Moss
Rep. David Ure
Rep. Bradley A. Winn

Members Excused: Sen. Al Mansell

Staff Present: Stan Eckersley, Fiscal Analyst
Kathryn Judd, Committee Secretary

Visitors List: Visitors List available at House of Representatives

Chairman Sheryl Allen called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. She reviewed items on the Committee and Legislative calendar and clarified with the Department details for the tour to Park City Olympic sites on Friday, February 2, 2001 and Olympic Venues on February 9, 2001.

MOTION: Sen. Walker moved to approve the corrected minutes of January 29, 2001. The motion passed unanimously.

Community Development Director Kerry Bate requested the vote on the budget for Emergency Food Services be delayed until after their presentation.

Fiscal Analyst Stan Eckersley reviewed the Community Development Division budgets, dedicated credits, intent language, and "wish list" items.

MOTION: Sen. Gladwell moved to approve the Analyst's recommendation for the Community Development Division base budgets (except for the Emergency Food Services Program), intent language, and dedicated credits, and to add recommended additions to the "wish list".

SUB-MOTION: Sen. Walker made a substitute motion to amend Sen. Gladwell's motion by adding \$500,000 one-time to the "wish list" for the Homeless Trust Fund. For clarification the motion "wish list" items were identified as Weatherization Assistance - \$100,000; Museum Services - \$150,000; Commission on Volunteers -

\$150,000; Homeless Trust Fund - \$500,000. The substitute motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Eckersley explained the budget and history for Zoos.

Craig Dinsmore, Executive Director Hogle Zoo, presented the successes and plans for the Zoo and outlined the critical needs. Long term plans for the Zoo were discussed. Committee members were introduced to a ferret, penguin, and butterflies.

Chairman Allen recognized Sen. Ron Allen who spoke in favor of additional funding of \$230,000 on-going funds for the State Fair Park. He requested that this amount be added to the Committee's "wish list".

Stan Eckersley reviewed the budget for Community Development Capital and the Mineral Lease revenues.

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to accept the Analyst's base budget recommendation for Community Development Capital. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Ure absent.

Chairman Allen recognized Sen. Dmitrich who spoke in favor of SB 123 an appropriations bill for Association of Governments. He stated the amount on the Bill of \$300,000 would be amended to \$160,000 on-going funds.

Chairman Allen recognized Sen. Suazo who spoke in favor of SB163 an appropriations bill for \$7,000,000 one-time funds for a multipurpose building at the Utah State Fair Park. Donna Dahl, Fair Park Director, recommended that the amount on the bill be amended to \$7,400,000 one-time. Sen. Suazo stated a revenue bond bill was passed last year.

Chairman Allen recognized Rep. Harper who spoke in favor of the Olene Walker Housing Trust Fund bill (HB204) appropriating \$4,500,000 (\$2,500,000 one-time, and \$2,000,000 on-going).

Chairman Allen recognized Brent Sloan, Chairman Children's Museum Board; and Seth Jarvis, Hansen Planetarium. Designs for their new cooperative complex at the Gateway Project were shown, and examples of their programs were demonstrated. They made a request for funding from the State in the amount of \$3,000,000 and outlined total cost and funding coming from other sources. David Winder, Department Director, commented for the Department on the importance of these clustered attractions.

Chairman Allen recognized Sen. Hickman who spoke in favor of funding for documents in the amount of \$19,814 for an outdoor Freedom Shrine in Vernon Wirthlin Park in St. George, Utah.

Rep. Allen explained the voting procedure for funding requests.

Mr. Eckersley gave an overview of the State History and Historical Society budgets, and explained intent language to give the authority to rent the building space for the Olympics. The money collected shall not be spent until after the Legislature approves a spending plan in the 2002 Legislative Session.

Max Evans, State History Director, reported on the Division and the impact of history on the State through historic preservation, tourism, and heritage industries. He also presented a request for appropriations for the Olympic Cultural Legacy Fund which will help ensure the preservation of records and artifacts associated with the 2002 Winter Olympic Games. He answered questions from the Committee with regard to the building rental and how the State History Division might be involved at the Media Center.

Wes Curtis spoke on Heritage Tourism and the benefits to communities. He answered Committee questions on past funding for Heritage Highway 89 and Main Street Preservation. Mr. Evans explained how dedicated credits help with programing and planning.

Chairman Allen introduced Provo Mayor Lewis Billings. He outlined the problems of the Kuhni Bros. Rendering Plant situated in Provo's South Bay area. He approached the Committee for State funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 to assist in relocating the rendering plant. He answered Committee questions about Utah County's contribution to the move, the property in and around the present site, and the viability of the property after the move.

John Hanke, V.P. of Real Estate for Novell, expressed some of the health and safety issues created by the plant at its present location.

Sen. Bill Wright spoke about Kuhni's Rendering Plant. He stated the importance of the service they provide.

Rep. Holdaway emphasized the responsibility of Utah County and encouraged the county to be involved financially.

Rep. Ure requested a cost breakdown which Mayor Billings said he would provide for the Committee.

Lauren Rayner, State Community Services, introduced the staff and gave an overview of the State Homeless Trust Fund Program. She explained the Federally Funded Community Services Block Grant program.

Myla Dutton, Provo Community Action Services, explained the services provided and the volunteer program. She and Susan Soleil, Utahns Against Hunger, reviewed the needs of the Emergency Food Network.

Before the Committee vote, Stan Eckersley reviewed the Emergency Food Network budget.

MOTION: Sen. Davis made a motion to accept the Analyst's recommendation for the Emergency Food Network base budget and to add \$380,000 to the "wish list". The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Davis made a motion to add HB 212, \$1,000,000 one-time and \$1,000,000 on-going for Museum Services to the "wish list". There were questions to the motion. The motion passed with Rep. Holdaway voting no.

Chairman Allen reviewed the voting list processes and the lists that will be distributed on Monday for Committee member prioritization. She recognized the significant number of additional requests coming before the Committee. She responded to Committee questions regarding the voting processes.

Sen. Gladwell briefed the Committee to the Executive Appropriations Committee processes and recommended they seriously prioritize their recommendations to make an impact.

Chairman Allen notified the Committee that the Governor would be appearing before the Committee on Monday to review the Silicon Valley Initiative.

MOTION: Rep. Winn moved the "wish list" be prepared designating items that were not part of the Analyst's recommendation.

SUBMOTION: Rep. Holdaway made a substitute motion that the prioritization list include the Analyst's recommendation, the Governor's recommendation, and the items designated that were not a part of the Analyst's recommendation.

David Winder, Director DCED, responded for the Department that no prioritization be made until after the presentations on Monday.

Rep. Winn made an amendment to the substitute motion that those items which have a bill attached to them also be somehow specified. Rep. Holdaway and the Committee agreed. The substitute motion passed unanimously with Rep. Biskupski and Rep. Ure absent.

Chairman Allen entertained a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Sen. Walker moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Sen. David L. Gladwell, Co-Chair

Rep. Sheryl L. Allen, Co-Chair

